

# comprehensive

- com-pos-ed-ly \-'pō-zəd-lē\ adj  
: one that composes; esp : a person w tray usu. of metal with an adjust-  
- hand by a compositor as he sets type

kom-\ adj [L *compositus*, pp. of *componere*: parts as a *cap* : relating to or Corinthian order combining angular thus-circled bell of the Corinthian large family (Compositae) of dicotyledons often held to be the most highly ed by florets arranged in dense heads : made up of two or more integral parts : — com-pos-ite-ly *adv*

ing composite



composite 2 : section of a composite flower head: 1 : disk flower, 2 ray flower, 3 bracts

or agreement

combining various elements or in-

creation: as a : a piece of writing;

b : a written piece of music espe-

cially c : a work of art whose

al \-'zish-nəl, -ən-'\ adj

\ n : one who sets type

ent-ss\ adj [L, lit., having mastery

mind, memory, and understanding

\ n [LL, fr. L *com-* + *potator*

to drink] : a fellow drinker

fr. OF *composte*, fr. L *composta*,

utis cooked in syrup 2 : a bowl of

fruits, nuts, or sweets are served

1\ 'käm\ vb [ME *componen*, fr.

fr. *com-* + *ponere* to put — more

ther (parts) to form a whole : com-

posing parts 3 : to settle amicably

by geometric progression or by

is : to add to 6 : to agree for a

o come to terms of agreement —

— com-pound-er n

m-\ adj [ME *componed*, used of or resulting from union of

or parts; specif : composed of

kind usu. independent 2 : involv-

3 a of a word : constituting a com-

two or more main clauses

1 a : a word consisting of com-

boat, high school, devil-may-care)

of various combinations of words,

is anthroplogy, kibcyle, builder)

on of elements or parts; specif : a

emical union of two or more ingre-

weight

[by folk etymology fr. Malay

lungs 1 : an enclosure of European

lings esp. in the Orient 2 : a

intance : having two or more main

fracture associated with lacerated

fragments usu. protrude

computed on the sum of an original

h the blade is divided to the midrib

in a common axis

scope consisting of an objective

rawtube

(as 2 ft. 5 in.) involving different

the unit

\ or com-pra-dore \-'dōr\ adj, buyer] : a Chinese agent engaged

him to have charge of his Chinese

remedy in business affairs

\ vt [ME *comprehenden*, fr. L

*comprender* to grasp] 1 : to grasp

EMBRACE syn see INCLUDE,

able \-'hen-də-bəl\ adj

ts\-'bil-ət-ə\ n : the quality or

bol\ adj : capable of being com-

pre-hen-si-ble-ness n — com-

en-chon\ n [MF & L: MF, fr. L

fr. *comprehensio*, pp. of *compre-*

1 a : the act or process of

knowledge gained by comprehend-

ing 3 : CONNOTATION 3

\ adj 1 : covering completely

# comprehensively

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# concern

: INCLUSIVE 2 : having wide mental comprehension — com-pre-hen-sive-ly *adv* — com-pre-hen-sive-ness n  
com-press \kom'-presh\ vb [ME *compressen*, fr. LL *compressare* to press hard, fr. L *compre* + *premere* to press] 1 : to press or squeeze together : CON-DENSE ~ \v\ to undergo compression syn see CONTRACT  
com-press \käm'-presh\ n [MF *compre*, fr. *compresser* to compress, fr. LL *compressare*] 1 : a folded cloth or pad applied so as to press upon a body part 2 : a machine for compressing compressed \käm'-presh\ adj ~ \käm'-\ adj : flattened as though subjected to compression: a : flattened laterally (petioles ~) b : narrow from side to side and deep in a dorsoventral direction — com-pressed-ly \käm'-prest-ly, -prest-ed-lē\ adj  
compressed air n : air under pressure greater than that of the atmosphere  
com-press-ibl-ity \käm'-presh-ə-bil-ət\ n : the quality or state of being compressible  
com-press-ible \käm'-presh-ə-bəl\ adj : capable of being compressed com-press-ion \käm'-presh-ən\ n 1 : the act or process of compressing : the state of being compressed 2 : the process of compressing the working substance in a heat engine — com-press-ion-al \-'presh-nəl, -ən-'\ adj  
com-press-ive \käm'-presh-iv\ adj 1 : of or relating to compression com-press-or \-'presh-ər\ n : one that compresses: as a : a muscle that compresses part b : a machine that compresses gases  
com-prise \käm'-priz\ vt [ME *comprisen*, fr. MF *compris*, pp. of *comprendre*, fr. L *comprehendere*] 1 : INCLUDE, CONTAIN 2 : to make up of 3 : to make up: CONSTITUTE  
com-pro-mise \käm'-pro-miž\ n [ME, mutual promise to abide by an arbiter's decision, fr. MF *compromis*, fr. L *compromissum*, fr. *com-* + *promittere* to promise mutually, fr. *com-* + *mittere* to send] 1 : to prevent disclosure or recognition of 2 : to place out of sight syn see HIDE — con-cep-tion-able \-'sē-pə-bəl\ adj — con-cep-tion-ment \-'sē-pə-mənt\ n  
con-cade \kän-säd\ vb [F or L; P *conceder*, fr. L *concedere*, fr. *com-* + *cedere* to yield — more at CEDENCE] vt 1 : to grant as a right grudgingly ~ \v\ to make concession: YIELD syn see GRANT — con-ced-ed-ly \-'sēd-əd-lē\ adj — con-ced-ed-er n  
con-celt \kän-sēlt\ n [ME, fr. *conceiven*] 1 a (1) : a result of mental activity: THOUGHT (2) : individual opinion b : favorable opinion: esp: excessive appreciation of one's own worth or virtue 2 a : a fanciful idea b : an elaborate or strained metaphor c : use or presence of such conceits in poetry 3 : a fancy article *conceit* v 1 obs : CONCIEVE, UNDERSTAND 2 dial : IMAGINE 3 dial Brit : to take a fancy to  
con-cel-ed \-'sēt-ed\ adj ['conceit] 1 : ingeniously contrived — con-cel-ed-ly \-'sēd-əd-ly\ adj — con-cel-ed-ness n  
con-ceiv-abil-ity \kän-se-və-bil-ət\ n : the quality or state of being conceivable  
con-ceiv-able \kän-sē-və-bəl\ adj : capable of being conceived — con-ceiv-able-ness n — con-ceiv-ably \-'bēl\ adj  
con-ceive \kän-sēv\ vb [ME *conceiven*, fr. OF *conceire*, fr. L *conceire* to come to, conceive, fr. *com-* + *ceire* to take] vt 1 : to become pregnant with (young) 2 a : to take into one's mind (~ a prejudice against him) b : to form a conception of : IMAGINE, IMAGE 3 archaic : to apprehend by reason or imagination : UNDERSTAND 4 : to be of the opinion ~ \v\ 1 : to become pregnant 2 : to have a conception syn see THINK — con-ceiv-er n  
con-cen-tant \kän-sēnt\ n [L *concentus*, fr. *concentus*, pp. of *concinare* to sing together, fr. *com-* + *canere* to sing — more at CHANT] archaic : HARMONY, ACCORD  
con-cen-ter \kän-sēnt-ər, kän-\ vb [MF *concentrer*, fr. *com-* + *centre* center] vt 1 : to draw or direct to a common center: CONCEN-TRATE ~ \v\ to come to a common center  
con-cen-trate \kän(t)-sēn-trāt, -sēn-\ vb [com- + L *centrum* center] vt 1 a : to bring or direct toward a common center or objective b : to gather into one body, mass, or force 2 a : to make less dilute (~ syrup) b : to express or exhibit in condensed form ~ \v\ 1 : to draw toward or meet in a common center 2 : GATHER, COLLECT 3 : to concentrate one's powers, efforts, or attentions (~ on a problem) — con-cen-tra-tor \-'trā-tōr\ n  
concen-trate n : something concentrated  
con-cen-tra-tion \kän(t)-sēn-trā-shən, -shən\ n 1 : the act or process of concentrating : the state of being concentrated; specif 2 : a concentrated mass or thing 3 : the relative content of component: STRENGTH  
concentration camp n : a camp where persons (as prisoners of war, political prisoners, or refugees) are detained or confined  
con-cen-tra-tive \kän(t)-sēn-trātiv, -sēn-\ adj : serving or tend-ing to concentrate  
con-cen-tric \kän-sēn-trik, \kän(t)-sēn-trik, \kän(t)-sēn-trēk\ adj [ML *concentricus*, fr. L *com-* + *centrum* center] 1 : having a common center (~ circles) 2 : having a common axis: COAXIAL — con-cen-tric-ly \-'tri-kēlē\ adj — con-cen-tric-ly \-'tri-kēlē\ adj — con-cen-tric-ly \-'tri-kēlē\ adj  
con-cep-tion \kän-sēp-shən\ n [ME *conception*, fr. OF *conception*, fr. L *concepere* to conceive] 1 : something conceived in the mind ~ \v\ to conceive 2 : an abstract idea generalized from particular instances syn see IDEA  
con-cep-ta-ble \kän-sēp-ti-kəl\ n [NL *conceptaculum*, fr. L *conceptaculum*, fr. *conceptus*, pp. of *concepere* to take in] : an external cavity containing reproductive cells in algae (as of the genus *Fucus*)  
con-cep-tion \kän-sēp-shən\ n [ME *conception*, fr. OF *conception*, fr. L *concepere* to conceive] 1 a (1) : the act of becoming pregnant: the state of being conceived (2) : EMBRYO, FETUS b archaic : BEGINNING 2 a : the function or process of forming or understanding ideas or abstractions or their symbols b : a general idea: CONCEPT c : a complex product of abstract or reflective thinking d : the sum of a person's ideas and beliefs concerning something 3 : the originating of something in the mind syn see IDEA — con-cep-tion-al \-'shənl, -shən-\ adj — con-cep-tive \-'sep-tiv\ adj  
con-cep-tu-al \kän-sēp-chən\, kän, -'sepsh-wəl\ adj [ML *conceptus* of thought, fr. LL *conceptus* act of conceiving, thought, fr. L *conceptus*, pp. 1 : of, relating to, or consisting of concepts — con-cep-tu-al-ly \-'sēlē\ adj  
con-cep-tu-al-ism \-'iz-əm\ n : a theory intermediate between realism and nominalism that universals exist in the mind as subjects of discourse or as predicates that may be properly affirmed of reality — con-cep-tu-al-ist \-'ist\, -'sepsh-wəl\ adj — con-cep-tu-al-a-ist \-'sēlēt\ adj  
con-cep-tu-al-iza-tion \-'sep-chə(-wə)-lō-zā-shən, -'sepsh-wəl\ n : the act or process of conceptualizing — con-cep-tu-al-ize \-'sep-chə(-wə)-līz, -'sepsh-wəl\ v : to form a concept of; esp : to interpret conceptually  
con-cern \kän-sērn\ vb [ME *concernen*, fr. MF & ML: MF *concerner*, fr. L *concerner* to stir] vt 1 a : to relate to: be about b : to bear

about; ~ kitten; ~ er further; ~ a back; ~ a bake; ~ a cot, cart; ~ a loot; ~ a foot; ~ a chin; ~ less; ~ easy; ~ gift; ~ trip; ~ life

joke; ~ sing; ~ flow; ~ flaw; ~ coin; ~ thin; ~ this; ~ a foot; ~ y yet; ~ y few; ~ y furious; ~ y vision